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**Art Unit 1637**

**Attn: Mail Stop Amendment**

**Re:** U.S. Utility Patent Application No. 10/719,978; Filed: November 24, 2003  
**For:** **Process for Purification of Plasmid DNA**  
**Inventors:** Budahazi *et al.*  
**Our Ref:** 1530.0550001/EKS/LAV

Sir:

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1. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$1,020.00 to cover:  
\$1,020.00 Three Month Extension of Time Fee;
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);
3. Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 (10 pages); and
4. One (1) return postcard.

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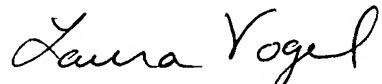
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